

CHARTER 99 DEFINITIONS

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9900.1 When used in this chapter, the following terms and phrases shall have the meaning ascribed:

Act - the Legalized Lotteries, Daily Numbers Games, and Bingo, and Raffles for Charitable Purposes Initiative #6 of 1980 effective March 10, 1981 (D.C. Law 3-172, as amended), D.C. Code §2-2501 *et seq.* (1994 Repl. Vol.).

Agent - any licensee of the Agency authorized to sell lottery tickets.

Agency - the independent agency of the government of the District of Columbia which operates under the authority and direction of the D.C. Lottery and Charitable Games Control Board and under the direct administrative and management supervision of the Executive Director appointed in accordance with D.C. Code §2-2503 (1994 Repl. Vol.).

Bet - shall have the common meaning ascribed to it and shall be synonymous with wager.

Bingo games - the form of gambling established pursuant to the Act which have the characteristics prescribed in the Act and the Agency's rules.

Bingo operation - a single gathering or session at which a series of successive bingo games is played.

Bingo supplies and equipment - all cards, boards, sheets, marker, pads or other supplies, devices, or equipment designed for use in the play of bingo.

Board - the District of Columbia Lottery and Charitable Games Control Board appointed under D.C. Code §2-2501 (1994 Repl. Vol.).

Caller - the person drawing and audibly calling the bingo numbers to the players.

Central Computer System - the computer system which tracks, controls and operates the games and records all on-line transactions and validates tickets.

Checker - the person working on the floor of a bingo operation to verify the bingo operations by announcing the claimed winning numbers to all players.

Claim Center - any place other than a licensed agent location designated by the Executive Director where one may claim a lottery prize.

Daily numbers game(s) - a traditional numbers game or variation thereon which is drawn daily, including but not limited to, two-numbers, three-digit and four-digit numbers games operated and conducted by the Agency pursuant to the Act.

Director - the Executive Director of the Agency appointed pursuant to D.C. Code §2-2503 (1994 Repl. Vol.), or his or her designee.

District - the territorial area known as the District of Columbia or the municipal government of the District of Columbia, as the context may require.

Draw break - the period of time shortly before the game drawing, during which the central computer system is taken down in preparation for the drawing, and in which wagers are not accepted by the system.

Drawing event - drawing for a given pool of wagers.

Executive Director - the Executive Director of the Agency appointed pursuant to D.C. Code §2-2503 (1994 Repl. Vol.), or his or her designee.

Extra regular card - a nondisposable card which affords additional opportunities to play in a regular bingo game to be played at a bingo operation.

Federal Enclave - the National Capitol Service Area as defined by Title VII, §739 (a) of the District of Columbia Self-Government and Governmental Reorganization Act (Approved, Dec. 24, 1973, 87 Stat. 774, Pub. L. 93-198).

Fee - an amount paid to the Agency for a license, bond or other administrative costs by any person conducting gaming pursuant to the Act.

Floor - the area used by bingo players during a bingo event.

Game board - sometimes referred to as "grid," the area of the selection slip that contains all the possible numbers which may be played. Each grid is identified by a letter, for example, A, B, C, D or E. Game boards may also appear on tickets.

Gross receipts - the total receipts from any charitable gaming event.

Handle - the gross receipts from the sale of all bingo cards including regular, extra regular, special and multihall bingo cards.

Instant game - a game in which tickets have a concealed prize structure printed on the ticket, and winners are determined when the player removes a covering material on the ticket which conceals the prize structure to determine winning tickets.

Instant tickets - sometimes referred to as scratch tickets, are tickets for an instant game.

Insurance pool - an additional pool which players may enter by paying an additional sum of money with the purchase of a game ticket.

License - a permit issued by the Board authorizing a person to sell lottery tickets as an agent or to conduct charitable gaming in the District.

Licensed organization - any person, firm, partnership, association, organization, corporation, or other entity authorized by the Act and this title to conduct charitable gaming.

Licensed supplier - a supplier of charitable gaming equipment licensed by the Board.

Limited period bingo - the operation of bingo for a period of not more than seven (7) consecutive days at a festival, bazaar, picnic, carnival, or similar special functions.

Lot-Line - automated voice response system operated by the Agency which provides winning numbers information for the convenience of the public.

Lottery - any game or device in which proceeds from the sale of tickets or chances are allotted as prizes to ticket purchasers or chance takers by a method in which chance is the dominant factor but in which the exact method adopted for the application of chance to the distribution of prizes is immaterial.

Lottery property - synonymous with agency property, the agent's license, identification card, lottery decal, equipment including terminals belonging to the Agency, promotional materials, all money belonging to the Agency, claimed tickets, and all tickets held by the agent which are unsold and eligible for return to the Agency.

Lottery ticket - any instant or on-line ticket issued by the Agency for sale to the public.

Misregistered - a defective ticket on which the colors are separated distinctly or the void if removed numbers are not in the assigned area.

Multihall bingo game - a lawful bingo game played simultaneously at two (2) or more premises within or outside the District, in which a portion of the bingo sales revenue of the participating bingo operations are combined to form a combined prize fund, where the bingo players at each participating bingo operation have a chance to win one(1) or more prizes paid out of the combined prize fund, and the bingo numbers drawing is held at a single location and is clearly audible or visible to the players at each participating bingo premises.

Net proceeds - the gross receipts collected from any charitable gaming event, less reasonable sums necessarily and actually expended for supplies and equipment, prizes, license fees, and expenses ordinarily incidental to the conduct of charitable gaming.

Old Georgetown District - an area defined by D.C. Code §5-1101 (1994 Repl. Vol.).

On-line game ticket - a computer generated lottery ticket issued by an on-line terminal to a player as a receipt for the combination of numbers selected by the player.

Person - any individual, association, partnership, corporation, club, trust, estate, society, company, joint stock company, receiver, trustee, assignee, referee, or any person acting in a fiduciary or representative capacity, whether appointed by a court or otherwise, and any combination of individuals.

Pool - sum of wagers collected and from which prizes are allocated.

Premises - any area in which a charitable gaming event or lottery is being conducted.

Quick Pick - selected numbers randomly generated by the computer.

Raffle - a lottery, other than that operated by the District, that is conducted pursuant to the Act, in which a prize is won by at least one of numerous persons buying tickets. The winning ticket or tickets are to be chosen by a random draw.

Raffle ticket - a coupon sold by the licensed organization offering a chance in a raffle drawing.

Regular bingo card - a nondisposable card issued to a person upon payment of the admission fee which gives a person the opportunity to participate in all regular games played at a bingo operation.

Regular bingo game - a bingo game in which a person, upon payment of an admission, is issued a regular bingo card and may purchase or rent extra regular cards.

Selection slip - a card or slip used to assist a player in placing a wager.

Shipstead-Luce Boundaries - the boundaries outlined in D.C. Code §5-410 (1994 Repl. Vol.).

Special bingo card - any bingo game which is not a regular bingo game and which is played with special bingo cards.

Value - the retail value of the prize determined at the time of application for a license to operate a bingo game or to conduct a raffle.

Winning ticket - a winning ticket is a game ticket which can be validated and which contains numbers or symbols representing the numbers or symbols selected in the drawing for that game.

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